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In re patent application of: PRYOR

Serial No.: 09/435,854

Filed: 8 November 1999

For: A METHOD FOR PROVIDING HUMAN INPUT TO A
COMPUTER

Examiner: Abdulselam

Art Unit: 2674

Docket No.: P00891US3/DEJ

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents
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S I R:

In the final Office Action dated January 14, 2002, the pending claims were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of double patenting. While this rejection was indicated as being a "new grounds of rejection", this rejection was actually the same rejection over the same prior patent as made in the previous (first) Office Action. In response to the previous double patenting rejection of the first Action, it will be noted that a TERMINAL DISCLAIMER was filed on November 1, 2001.

As discussed with the examiner by telephone on January 28, 2002 when the final action was recieved, the (previously) filed terminal disclaimed obviates the present double patenting rejection (over the same patent). Thus, the application is now (and was previously) in condition for allowance.

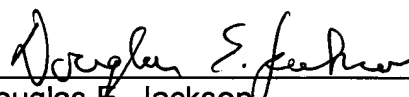
The examiner agreed on January 28 that no further terminal disclaimer was necessary, and the examiner indicated that therefore either a new action or an allowance would be mailed to withdraw the present final action. Since no further action

has been received, this response is filed to fully answer the still outstanding final action prior to the deadline date for response.

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is in immediate condition for allowance and such action is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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SIR:

Attached is:

- ☒ a response after Final Rejection dated January 14, 2002
- ☐ a response to the Office Action dated
- ☐ a Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ a Petition for an extension of time
- ☐ Other:

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TOTAL CLAIMS				X \$ 18 =	
INDEP. CLAIMS				X \$ 84 =	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CLAIMS FEES =					
Reduction by 1/2 for small entity status of applicant					
SUBTOTAL =					
Fee for					
Fee for Extension of Time					
TOTAL OF ALL FEES =					-0-

☒ A check in the amount of \$ -0- is enclosed. If no check or an insufficient check is enclosed and a fee is due in connection herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee or additional fee due in connection herewith to Deposit Account No. 12-0555. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

☒ In the event that a petition for extension of time is required to be submitted herewith and that a separate petition is not submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time of as many months as are required to render this submission timely. Any fee is authorized above.

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